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APPLICANT(S): N. ALEXANDROV et al. Conf: 3742
APPLICATION NO.: 09/689,980 Group: 1634
FILED: October 13, 2000 Examiner: ZITOMER, S
FOR: SEQUENCE-DETERMINED DNA FRAGMENTS AND
CORRESPONDING POLYPEPTIDES ENCODED THEREBY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 12, 2002
(Tuesday after Federal Holiday)

Sir:

In response to the USPTO communication dated May 9, 2002, the following
remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

The examiner has required a restriction between the claims of Group I (claims 1a, 2, 3 and 5-24), Group II (claims 1b, and 6-24), Group III (claim 4), Group IV (claims 25-28), Group V (claim 29), Group VI (claims 30-37), Group VII (claim 38), Group VIII (claims 39-40) and Group IX (claims 41-50).

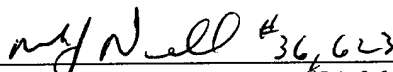
Applicants choose to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1a, 2, 3 and 5-24). Applicants further elect the nucleotide sequence identified as SEQ ID NO: 1 from the Sequence Listing.

Favorable action on the claims is requested.

If the examiner has any questions concerning this response which can be resolved by telephone, the examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000.

If the Primary Deposit Account No. 50-1055 is deficient and non-payment will result in a loss of rights, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,
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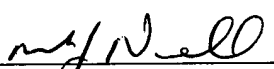
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- ☒ Petition for a five (5) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$980.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ Please charge **deposit account number 50-1055** in the amount of \$980 for the extension of time fees. A triplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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